



YELVERTOFT PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

May 2022

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Held second Monday of every month except for January and August. 7.30pm in the Reading Room. Everyone is very welcome.

The Parish Council are bringing you regular news and updates!

It is fantastic to see the Parish News reincarnated and we wish to sincerely thank everyone involved. Council have received many positive comments on this Parish Council bi-monthly newsletter so we have decided to continue with it. We welcome any feedback or suggestions from residents so please do keep them coming.

RESIDENTS MEETING

We invite all residents to join us for an open meeting. Your councillors will be available to speak to, and there will be displays detailing flood action, KGV Field proposed improvements, climate action plans, solar farm, affordable housing, DIRFT 4, plus more. We look forward to seeing you there.



HONORARY FREEMAN OF THE PARISH – We are delighted to announce that John Nichols was nominated to become an Honorary Freeman of the Parish and this was unanimously agreed at the May Council meeting. A presentation will be made at the Residents Meeting. Please do come long and show your support and appreciation.

John has worked tirelessly for at least the past 40 years for the benefit of all residents. He has contributed to a tremendous amount of maintenance and works in Yelvertoft such as drainage at the cemetery, grass cutting, tree maintenance, Parish Councillor, allotment water pipes – the list goes on, far too much to list here.

Granting Freeman status is the highest honour that the Council can bestow. In keeping with the special nature of the award it is strictly limited to residents who have made a significant voluntary contribution to the Parish and have demonstrated “service above self”. Nominees will have given distinguished service to the community which transcends local government i.e. service to other

organisations, voluntary and community groups, in a largely voluntary capacity. The nominee can be demonstrably seen to stand head and shoulders above the contributions made by most other people.

Although it carries no powers, rights, or privileges, those who receive the honour are able to use the title of Honorary Freeman or Freewomen.

John will be presented with a scroll and a small gift.

SOLAR FARM and AFFORDABLE HOUSING

2022 should see the start of two development projects in or near the village – the construction of a Solar Farm and a housing development.

The Solar Farm is a major project and will be built between Yelvertoft and Crick adjacent to the Crick Road. Work is projected to begin in autumn 2022 with completion in 2023. The Parish Council is in the process of agreeing an annual community fund with the developers which will benefit the village.

A housing project is planned for land at the end of Hillmorton Lane, next to Strawfield House. The plan is to develop 9 homes 4 of which will be market housing and 5 affordable housing. Development is due to start this year. The Parish Council has been in close contact with the developers who gave a presentation at the May Council meeting.



The area marked in red shows the location of the development.

Please visit the website to read the Council meeting minutes for a lot more detailed information.

DIRFT EXPANDING TOWARDS YELVERTOFT – WNC SPATIAL PLAN CONSULTATION

West Northants Council are still collating the 2,500 local responses they received to the consultation. The next phase is expected in the autumn.

On 25 April Cllr Cottle, Cllr Chantler, Cllr Nicholls, and Cllr Bolton attended, along with Councillors from Crick and Kilsby Parish Councils, and the WNC Leader, a meeting with Lexingtons and Prologis regarding the site. We were shown their plans to extend DIRFT to DIRFT 4 and the extent of their initial ideas. It was concerning to see that Prologis had already developed plans for the extension of DIRFT 4 along the lines of the WNC Spatial Option 3a. Our first priority is to get WNC to throw out Spatial Option 3a. If this is not successful, and Prologis put in their own planning application on behalf of DIRFT, we will lobby to have this rejected. We will continue to do whatever is in our power to try and stop this development.

COME AND JOIN US! – COUNCILLOR VACANCY

We have lots of projects planned relating to climate change, communicating better with residents, KGV Field improvements, plus more. If you would like to be part of any of the teams, or stand for co-option as a councillor, please just let us know. We would particularly welcome applicants from the younger generation (minimum 18 years old).



SPEED SIGN – CHURCH HILL

We are aware that the sign was only working intermittently. The contractor has done some work to the sign to solve the problem and it should now be working normally. If you notice that it is not working, please do get in touch.

CRICK BRIDLE ROAD – RUBBISH

The Canal & River Trust Operations Manager is still trying get Insight, the contractor, to remove their rubbish from the Crick bridleway. We have noticed that people are adding their rubbish to the pile. Please do not make it worse.

REPORTING HIGHWAYS PROBLEMS SUCH AS POT HOLES

If you discover any Highways issues such as pot holes, styles, fallen trees, street signs etc. Please do report them to Northants Highways. Just search for 'Northants Street Doctor' and you can report the issues online. Please report any problems with street lights to the Parish Council.

FLOODING

We continue to work on Natural Flood Management within our KGV Field and Allotment Field project. Seven Trent and the Wildlife Trust have agreed to liaise with the Solar Farm developers to see what else they can do to improve the Natural Flood Management on the Solar Farm site.

WATER LEAK – CHURCH WALK

Anglian Water have finally repaired the leak. If anyone comes across any such leaks or problems then please do report it to the Council, and also the relevant authority.

QUEEN'S PLATUNIM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

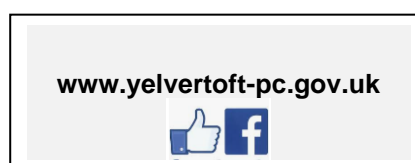
THE QUEEN'S PLATUNIM JUBILEE
PICNIC & FUN DAY

YELVERTOFT VILLAGE HALL
SUNDAY 5TH JUNE
2022

For more information please contact 07966 025206 or 07803 983176

Visit <https://www.yelvertoft-pc.gov.uk/category/news> for the full timetable of Jubilee events.

A tree will be planted in dedication to the jubilee. We are liaising with the Village Hall Management Committee on a location and type of tree.



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